## I Am Proud of Alabama



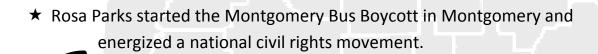
Did you know all of these things happened in Alabama?



- ★ The first electric streetcar in the world ran down Dexter Avenue in Montgomery! It was nicknamed the Lightning Route.
- ★ Wilber and Orville Wright operated a flying school where Maxwell Air Force Base is located today. The first night flight occurred at the Wright training school there!
- ★ Dr. L.L. Hill completed the first successful open heart operation in Montgomery!
- ★ The first submarine boat, C.S.S. *Hunley*, was built in Mobile!



- ★ In 1901 Alabama started the first state-funded Archives in the United States!
- ★ The first Mardi Gras ever in the United States happened in Mobile.



- ★ Alabama workers built the first rocket to put people on the moon.
- ★ Montgomery was the first capital of the Confederate States of America before it moved to Richmond.

Wow! Read a history book or visit a museum to find out more cool things about Alabama!



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